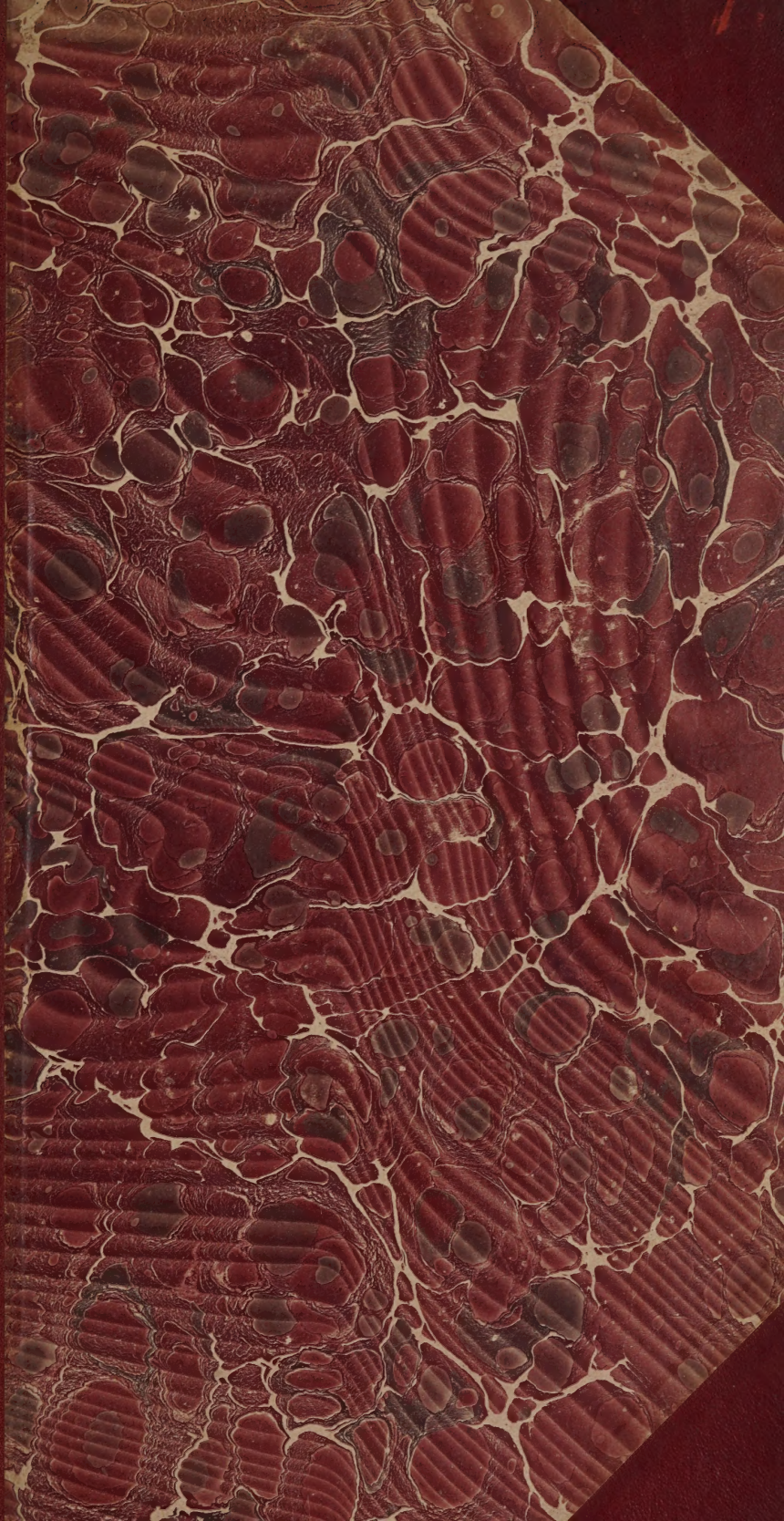

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SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

The selectmen have purchased the Champion Road Machine to be paid for on or before the first of June next; price $250, and freight from Boston.

TOWN SCHOOL NOTES.

Note against G. W. J. Goodhue,	$205.00	
" " William H. Hall,	268.17	
" " Kimball D. Barton,	270.89	
" " Laura M. Fletcher,	325.00	
Total,		$1,069.06

RECEIPTS.

Received for use of town hall,	$ 1.00	
" of Grantham for school house,	9.47	
" of G. W. Stockwell on overdrawn order,	10.00	
" of G. W. J. Goodhue, interest on school note,	12.30	
" of W. H. Hall, int. on school note,	16.09	
" of K. D. Barton, " "	16.25	
" of Laura M. Fletcher, interest on school note,	19.50	
" of Newport, for school house,	26.57	
" of A. S. Wait for N. H. Reports,	60.00	
" Literary fund,	75.52	
" Savings Bank tax,	242.77	
" of county, for support of paupers,	434.17	
Total,		$923.64

CREDITS.

Balance in hands of last years treasurer,	$ 219.70	
List of taxes delivered to collector,	3,359.29	
Total,		$3,578.99
Receipts and credits, total,		$4,502.63

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid into hands of treasurer,		$923.64

ORDERS

Upon the treasurer for the year ending March 1, 1887:

State tax,		$468.00
County tax,		464.88

SUPPORT OF SCHOOLS.

Paid educational board,		$749.16

OPENING GRAVES.

Paid I. Braley,	2 graves,	$4.00	
W. W. Hall,	1 grave,	2.00	
Harrison Stockwell,	"	2.00	
B. F. Haven,	"	2.00	
S. Rowell,	"	3.00	
C. O. Barton,	7 graves,	14.00	
Total,			$27.00

WATERING TROUGHS.

Paid W. B. Kibbey,	$3.00	
J. Harding,	3.00	
M. Putnam,	3.00	
D. A. Sargent,	3.00	
J. Loverin,	2.50	
Lucy Corliss,	3.00	
S. W. Barton,	6.00	
P. Crowell,	2.50	
Total,		$26.00

DAMAGES ON HIGHWAY.

Paid L. W. Barton,	$65.00	
S. R. Cole,	15.61	
W. W. Hall,	3.00	
H. W. Fletcher,	.75	
O. R. Howard,	12.50	
H. J. Hurd,	15.00	
Total,		$111.86

DOG DAMAGE.

Paid E. Crowell,	damage to sheep,	$6.00	
J. Sherratt,	" "	2.50	
A. M. Whipple,	" "	2.50	
O. C. Forehand,	" "	5.00	
B. C. Whipple,	" "	5.00	
Walker & Stone,	" "	10.00	
Total,		———	$31.00

(Amount of dog tax the present year, $77.00.)

TOWN OFFICERS.

Paid W. W. Ryder,	$35.00	
E. D. Comings,	30.00	
S. Barton,	15.00	
Eugene W. Dodge, for his services as 3d supervisor,	10.00	
Cost of suit brought by Eugene W. Dodge for his services as 3d supervisor,	5.75	
S. J. Brown, chairman of supervisors,	6.00	
S. Putnam, 2d supervisor,	6.00	
D. A. Sargent, treasurer,	10.00	
O. C. Forehand, collector,	30.00	
F. Hanson, town clerk,	10.00	
F. Hanson, school clerk,	1.00	
E. Davis, member of school board,	20.00	
S. Rowell, " "	12.00	
S. W. Barton, " "	6.00	
Total,	———	$196.75

SUPPORT OF TOWN PAUPERS.

Paid Dr. Kempton, attend'g Frank Kempton,	$37.55	
Dr. Cain, " " "	6.00	
Lucy Corliss, keeping " "	58.25	
O. W. Corliss, " " "	3.72	
Cloths and medicine for " "	11.25	
Total,	———	$116.77

SUPPORT OF COUNTY PAUPERS.

Expenses of John Sherratt,	$17.65	
Miranda Crooker,	57.63	
Lizzie A. Hall,	42.75	
Lyman Ryder,	78.00	
Betsey Barton,	135.00	
J. L. Hasting's children,	96.49	
Mrs. Timothy Hilliard,	72.22	
Mrs. Goodhue,	11.18	
Frank Dwyer,	5.75	
David Squires,	8.00	
Total,	———	$524.67

ERROR IN TAXES.

Paid J. Whipple,	$1.05	
D. Paul,	3.27	
Paul & Son,	4.20	
Ed. Russ,	3.29	
A. Howard,	4.20	
I. Braley,	1.00	
W. W. Hall,	2.98	
R. D. Loverin,	.75	
E. Paul,	3.49	
Total,	———	$24.23

HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

Paid C. H. Forehand,	work on	highway,	$4.50
W. Barton,	"	"	8.80
G. U. Barton,	"	"	5.00
V. Kennedy,	"	"	2.00
M. Fletcher,	"	"	12.13
J. Blanchard,	"	"	1.25
G. H. Jacobs,	"	"	4.60
M. Putnam,	"	"	50.75
H. W. Fletcher,	"	"	2.50
P. Hurd,	"	"	2.50

Paid F. Barton,	"	"	$20.90	
C. E. Rowell,	"	"	3.40	
H. J. Hurd,	"	"	1.50	
A. J. Sawyer,	"	"	3.75	
D. A. Sargent,	"	"	.80	
W. B. Kibbey,	"	"	1.20	
M. S. Jackson, moving and use of derricks,			10.00	
J. W. Ladd,	work on Flat bridge,		13.50	
E. H. Brown,	"	"	5.00	
W. B. Kibbey,	"	"	9.75	
B. Philbrick,	"	"	2.51	
P. Humphrey,	"	"	5.00	
G. W. Stockwell,	"	"	1.25	
Harrison Stockwell, work on bridge and highway,			25.81	
E. D. Comings, work on bridge and highway,			23.17	
D. Humphrey, work on bridge and highway,			3.75	
H. Stockwell, lumber,			2.60	
D. W. Barton, plank,			49.37	
O. Braley,	"		1.20	
D. Ide,	"		1.20	
H. E. Hanson, work and lumber,			32.99	
S. G. Walker,	"		14.57	
E. Paul,	"		8.52	
G. Angell,	"		2.00	
S. W. Barton, work,			2.00	
E. D. Comings,	"		.25	
Total,				$340.02

BREAKING ROADS.

Paid C. H. Forehand,	$2.67
F. Barton,	8.20
G. Angell,	2.40

Paid W. Barton,	$4.05
S. Stockwell,	5.00
A. Spaulding,	1.26
C. H. Barton,	1.02
H. Call,	3.50
W. B. Kibbey,	1.44
R. Downton,	.84
J. W. Davis,	8.00
H. J. Hurd,	2.88
R. D. Loverin,	6.75
J. Blanchard,	4.75
G. H. Jacobs,	5.40
H. Fowler,	6.75
H. W. Fletcher,	.75
P. Hurd,	1.00
O. Braley,	2.40
F. Dodge,	7.20
A. J. Sawyer,	1.68
C. L. Barton,	6.00
S. Stockwell,	2.64
H. W. Fletcher,	2.52
D. Ide,	2.64
M. S. Fletcher,	4.20
W. Barton,	1.80
H. J. Hurd,	7.84
J. W. Davis,	6.25
M. Putnam,	1.50
W. W. Partridge,	2.28
B. Young,	3.24
R. Loverin,	2.00
A. Cutting,	3.80
B. C. Whipple,	1.50
W. R. Bartlett,	2.75
E. Powers,	2.28
E. Paul,	2.08

Paid S. Rowell,	$9.00	
G. Angell,	3.65	
G. H. Jacobs,	16.28	
O. C. Forehand,	8.28	
R. Stone,	.48	
E. D. Comings,	.75	
Total,		$171.70

INCIDENTAL EXPENSES.

Paid V. Carroll, work, Four Corners cemetery,	$3.00
C. H. Forehand, " "	4.00
Recording mortgage,	.50
E. Kennerson, making road,	10.00
A. O. Woodbury, for safe,	80.00
Printing check-list,	3.50
B. C. Whipple, driving and storage of hearse,	20.18
Harrison Stockwell, work in Flat cemt'y,	11.00
E. H. Brown, financial ag't Dist. No. 3,	514.20
C. K. Loverin, keeping tramps,	1.50
S. J. Brown, for nails,	.56
R. Hall, merchandise,	2.20
Harrison Stockwell, use of scraper,	1.00
E. D. Comings, laying out E. Kennerson's highway and Reed's right of way,	2.50
E. D. Comings, work in cemeteries,	6.50
F. P. Rowell, settees,	40.00
E. D. Comings, carrying Mrs. Goodhue and children to county farm,	5.00
E. D. Comings, carrying Frank Dwyer to county farm,	2.00
J. Harding, carrying Lizzie A. Hall to county farm,	3.00
Taxable costs in the Victor Road Machine case,	20.17

Paid E. C. Converse, town order and receipt books,	$3.63	
Stationery,	.20	
Expenses in J. L. Hastings pauper case,	1.00	
D. W. Barton, building hearse house,	55.00	
F. Hanson, recording births, marriages and deaths,	4.00	
A. Allen, making deed and soldiers' statistical reports,	5.50	
Dr. Barton, returning birth,	.25	
M. Dodge, posts,	1.00	
R. Willard, work on road,	7.50	
S. J. Brown, storing Victor Road Machine	10.00	
O. C. Forehand, tax bills,	.50	
E. D. Comings, work on town hall,	.75	
E. D. Comings, telephoning,	.45	
D. Humphrey, use of scraper,	1.00	
A. S. Wait, fees and work in the Victor Road Machine case,	26.00	
A. S. Wait, general retainer and work,	19.00	
Total,		$866.59

ABATEMENT OF TAXES.

George Bartlett,	1886,	$1.45	
David Squires,	'85,	.99	
Frank Brown,	'85,	1.53	
Fred Forehand,	'85,	.99	
J. L. Hastings,	'85,	1.53	
J. L. Hastings,	'86,	1.76	
Total,			$8.25

Of the foregoing sums $277.77 was paid for the settlement of claims contracted against the town under the former administration.

Total receipts for the year ending March 1, '87,	$4,502.63	
Total amount of expenses,	4,126.88	
Balance in hands of treasurer and collector,		$375.75

ASSETS.

Balance in hands of treasurer,	$375.75	
Due from county or Newport,	96.49	
Due from school district No. 3,	35.13	
Total,		$507.37

LIABILITIES.

Due Dist. No. 3, on taxes,	$81.67
Balance in favor of the town,	$425.70

425.70
257.73
$167.97

...ority ~~The foregoing report~~ is respectfully submitted: by

WM. W. RYDER,
SULLIVAN BARTON, } Selectmen of Croydon.

E. D. Cornings

SELECTMEN'S NOTE.

In the pauper case of J. L. Hasting's children $32.83 of the above asset cannot be recovered if it shall be proven that they have a settlement in Newport; if county paupers, the full amount is collectable, and all expenses of said paupers so long as relieved by the town. What follows have reference to this case:—

To the Selectmen of Croydon:

Sir: I would say in regard to the James L. Hasting's children that I think they are on the town of Newport, but wish to look the matter up a little more before I pay the bills.

Yours truly, M. S. JACKSON,
Chairman of Selectmen.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

I certify that on application of the selectmen of Croydon some time in the fall of 1886, I think the latter part of October, I drew a notice to the town of Newport of supplies furnished by the Overseers of the Poor of Croydon to children of James L. Hastings, poor persons, supposed to have their settlement in Newport. I do not doubt the notice was correctly drawn and properly served. If the facts are as represented to me, Croydon has a clear claim to recover, either of Newport or the county, the supplies furnished according to said notice, and all supplies to said paupers since. A. S. WAIT.

the following was voted by a two thirds vote I
would judge Resolved,
at we accept and adopt the minority
port. and that both be put upon the
Clerks Book for future reference. and let
decide which is right.

REPORT

OF THE

BOARD OF EDUCATION

For the Year ending March 1, 1887.

School No. 1.—Four Corners. The summer term was taught by Miss Nellie A. Putnam, who met with success. In the fall Miss Cora A. Partridge was employed. The results of her thorough instruction were apparent at the close of her school. Miss Clara B. Barton was employed for the winter term. Teacher and scholars being in perfect harmony throughout the term, a successful school was the result.

School No. 2—East Village. The summer term was taught by Miss Clara B. Barton who labored faithfully for the interest of her pupils, and a profitable school was the result. The scholars, at the close of the term, showed the love and esteem with which the teacher was held by presenting her with a beautiful work box.

In the fall term Miss Anna B. Swain was teacher. Miss Swain was thorough in her instruction, and excellent progress was made in all the studies pursued.

For the winter term Mr. Melvin B. Carr was employed. Mr. Carr is a young man of good principles, and labored for the success of the school. The progress made was good.

School No. 3—Flat. The summer term was under the instruction of Miss Cora A. Partridge. The improvement in everything connected with the school, especially the order, was marked, showing that the teacher had been earnest in all her work.

The fall and winter terms were taught by Miss Etta B. Rowell, who succeeded in obtaining the good will of the pupils. The final examination at the close of the winter term showed the results of Miss Rowell's faithful work.

School No. 4—Ryder Corner. Summer term taught by Miss Emma Morey, who succeeded in inspiring a love for study in the little ones placed under her care, and a profitable school was the result. The fall and winter terms were taught by Miss Nellie A. Putnam. The examination at the close of the winter term was such as to reflect credit upon teacher and scholars.

School No. 5—Brighton. Fall and winter terms taught by Miss Sophia S. Stockwell. Excellent progress was made by all the pupils.

School No. 6—Under the mountain. In the summer Mrs. Rosette A. Barton, a teacher of experience, was employed to instruct the scholars at her house. In the fall Miss Etta B. Bartlett was employed as teacher. Good progress was made.

General Remarks.

The schools in town during the past year have been generally attended with success, yet there is opportunity for great improvement in respect to them.

The subject of education is one in which every citizen of the town is deeply interested, or, at least, should be, for, in a great measure, upon the instruction of the young of to-day rests its future condition. The prosperity of any people depends upon a general diffusion of education. This fact was early recognized, and its principles fully carried out by the establishment of our system of public schools, which have done much in making the people of New England leaders in society wherever they have gone. It is a sacred duty devolving upon us to cherish and improve this most priceless inheritance.

The requisites for successful schools are good teachers, with parents and scholars in sympathy with them. The teacher should be thoroughly devoted to his work, having a love for it

that will not tire after the first, but continue to grow stronger day by day. A teacher having only a mercenary object will never reach that degree of success characterizing the successful teacher. Teachers of our district schools should strive in every way to improve upon their modes of instruction and in regard to their store of knowledge. They should take a personal interest in the progress of their pupils, letting them feel that they are not there simply to earn a little money, but to instruct and benefit those placed under their care. If more of our teachers were of this class the scholars, as is too often the case now, would not have to be forced to learn their lessons, but on the contrary, would take up their tasks with delight. Try and bring some new facts connected with the subject under consideration before the pupils—some anecdote, historical story, or bit of natural science, all of which will interest the pupils and at the same time develop thoughts which otherwise would have remained dormant.

This may require a little extra effort on the part of the teacher, but the progress of the pupils and success of the school will amply repay for all this. The privilege of teachers to attend the institutes, which are now annually held in the county, should be improved by all, for there the most advanced methods of teaching are presented by those who have spent years in the work, and the knowledge there obtained is of great value to all teachers. Let all teachers consider the responsible position they hold, that of giving instruction to the rising generation, and let them heed the proverb "that as the twig is bent so the tree will grow," so the child, if instructed aright, will become a useful citizen, but if taught wrong principles in youth they will cling to him through life.

Parents should take an interest in the school, and try to help it by teaching their children to respect the teacher and conform to his wishes.

Lippincott's Spellers have been introduced into the schools.

Roll of Honor.

No. 1. First term—Eva M. Kempton, Ethel M. Kempton, Lily W. Kempton, Polly A. Robbins, Peter S. Robbins. Second term—Peter S. Robbins. Third term—Polly A. Robbins, Peter S. Robbins.

No. 2. First term—Idella Blanchard, Sybil Blanchard, Mabel Cooper, Florence Sawyer, Annie Sawyer, Emma Sherratt, Lester Blanchard, Morris Hall, Lucien Kemp, Arthur Staniels, Dana Stevens, Leon Wright. Absent on account of sickness: Etta Sherratt, Leon Cooper, Willis Kemp, Ned Loverin, Joe Partridge, Della Rawson. Second term—Idella Blanchard, Florence Sawyer, Ruie Kidder, Mamie Frye, Ethel Hall, Florence Staniels, Lester Blanchard, Fred Cooper, Ora Barton, Frank Leeds, Morris Hall. Winter term—Gertie Philbrick, Mamie Frye, Charlie Frye, Ned Loverin, Arthur Staniels.

No. 3. First term—Georgia Bartlett. Inez Fletcher, Cora Humphrey, Edith Lombard. Gertie Putnam, George Hall, Arthur Winter. Absent on account of sickness: Cora Shackett, Jennie Whipple, Carl Brown, Fred Kibbey, George Page. Second term—Inez Fletcher, Gertie Putnam, George Page, Arthur Winter. Absent on account of sickness: Georgia Bartlett, Jennie Whipple, Herbert Fletcher, Fred Kibbey. Third term—Inez Fletcher, Laura Bartlett, Nellie Brown, Fred Kibbey, George Page. Absent on account of sickness: Elsie Dodge, Georgia Bartlett, Ida Fletcher, Carl Brown, Herbert Fletcher.

No. 4. Summer term—Harry Rowell. Fall term—Fred Perkins, Geo. Gregory, David Cutting.

No. 5. Fall term—Flora Hurd, Edith Lombard, Jennie Hurd. Winter term, Jennie Hurd.

No. 6. Fall term—Fred A. Barton.

EDGAR W. DAVIS,
SYLVESTER ROWELL,
SETH W. BARTON,
} School Board of Croydon.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

No. of School	Terms—1 Sum.; 2 Fall; 3 Win	Teachers.	Length of school in Weeks	No. of Pupils	Average daily Attendance	No. Pupils under 5 years	No. Pupils between 5 and 15	No. Pupils not Absent	No. studying Arithmetic	No. studying Grammar	No. studying Geography	No. of Visits by Citizens	Wages of Teachers per month *
1	1	Nellie A. Putnam	8	9	8	0	9	5	7	0	2	20	$12
	2	Cora A. Partridge	8	11	10	0	10	1	9	2	1	9	16
	3	Clara B. Barton	8	9	7	0	6	2	7	2	3	9	16
2	1	"	8	39	35	3	36	13	22	7	7	26	20
	2	Anna B. Swain	8	31	27	0	29	14	24	8	12	18	23
	3	Melvin B. Carr	10	32	26	0	25	5	25	10	12	15	34
3	1	Cora A. Partridge	†	23	22	0	23	7	16	3	10	21	17
	2	Etta B. Rowell	8	18	17	0	17	4	13	3	10	21	18
	3	"	10	17	15	0	17	5	16	2	9	20	20
4	1	Emma Morey	8	8	7	0	8	1	4	0	2	13	14
	2	Nellie A. Putnam	8	14	12	0	11	3	11	1	8	21	16
	3	"	8	9	7	0	5	0	5	2	1	9	16
5	2	Sophia Stockwell	8	7	5	0	7	3	6	2	4	4	16
	3	"	8	9	5	0	9	1	6	2	3	9	16
6	1	Mrs. Rosette A. Barton	8	2	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2
	2	Etta L. Bartlett	8	3	2	0	3	1	3	1	3	10	16

*Including board. †7 3-5 weeks.

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